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FRANZONE et al. : PATENT  
Serial No.: New : Group Art Unit:  
Filed: Herewith : Examiner:  
For: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING  
KETO-ACIDS FOR ENDOPERITONEAL ADMINISTRATION

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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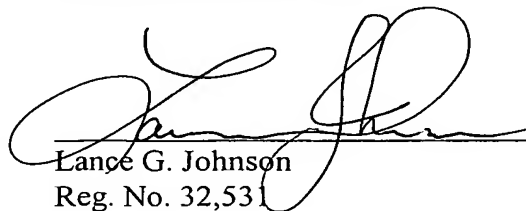
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicant brings the patents and publications listed on attached Form PTO-1449 to the Examiner's attention and requests that they be considered and made of record in the subject application.

Enclosed is a copy of the International Search Report dated October 23, 2003.

In accordance with the amendments to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a) (revisions effective Oct. 21, 2004) and as discussed in the Official Gazette on Oct. 19, 2004 (1287 OG 163), copies of U.S. patents and published applications cited herein have been omitted.

Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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